

REMARKS

Pursuant to Section 714.16 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure ("MPEP") and 37 CFR 1.312, this response is filed after the Notice of Allowance, to request allowance of previously entered claim 20.

Claims 1-13 and 20 were all the claims pending in this application when the Notice of Allowance was mailed on April 1, 2010. The issue fee has not yet been paid.

The Notice of Allowability allowed claims 1-13, but did not allow or address claim 20.

As required by MPEP 714.16, applicant hereby makes full and clear statements as to the following:

(A) "why the amendment is needed" - claim 20 provides more specific coverage than claims 1-13, so that if claims 1-13 are later determined to lack novelty or obviousness in a reexamination or legal proceeding, claim 20 may still be valid;

(B) "why the proposed amended or new claims require no additional search or examination" - claim 20 is based on already allowed claims 1, 9, 10, 12 and 13;

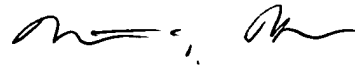
(C) "why the claims are patentable" - claim 20 is dependent on already allowed claims 1, 9, 10, 12 and 13, and therefore incorporates all their limitations; and

(D) "why they were not presented earlier" - claim 20 was presented and entered earlier, but was not allowed or addressed in the Notice of Allowability.

It is respectfully submitted that, because claim 20 was previously presented and yet was not addressed by the Notice of Allowability, this response was necessary due to Office error, so that the patent term adjustment under 37 CFR 1.704(c)(10) is not applicable.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claim 20 should be allowed, and no reduction of the patent term adjustment under 37 CFR 1.704(c)(10) should be made. Prompt consideration and early allowance are earnestly solicited. If claim 20 would be allowed except for minor revisions, Applicant's attorney courteously invites a telephone interview initiated by the Examiner so that such revisions can be effected by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,



Martin E. Hsia 32,471
CADES SCHUTTE A LIMITED
LIABILITY LAW PARTNERSHIP LLP
1000 Bishop Street, 12th floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
(808)544-3835
Fax: (808) 540-5049
E-mail: mhsia@cades.com